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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
 CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA**

**BRUCE CAHILL; GREG CULLEN; SHANE SCOTT;
 RON FRANCO; and PHARMA PAK, INC.**

PLAINTIFF(S)

v.

**PAUL PEJMAN EDALAT; OLIVIA KARPINSKI;
 FARAH BARGHI; SENTAR PHARMS., et al.**

DEFENDANT(S)

CASE NUMBER:

8:16-cv-00686-AG-DFM

**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF
 SUBSTITUTION OR WITHDRAWAL
 OF COUNSEL**

INSTRUCTIONS

Generally, an attorney may withdraw from representing a party in a case without the Court's permission if another member of the attorney's firm or agency will continue to represent that party and the withdrawing attorney is not the only member in good standing of the Bar of this Court representing that party. In that circumstance, the withdrawing attorney should complete and file a "Notice of Appearance or Withdrawal of Counsel" (Form G-123), instead of this "Request for Approval of Substitution or Withdrawal of Counsel" (Form G-01).

Notably, however, Court permission for withdrawal or substitution is required if no member of the withdrawing attorney's firm or agency will remain as counsel of record. In such circumstances, the attorney(s) seeking to withdraw should complete and file this "Request for Approval of Substitution or Withdrawal of Counsel" (Form G-01), and submit a proposed "Order on Request for Approval of Substitution or Withdrawal of Counsel" (Form G-01 Order).

If the circumstances surrounding an attorney's withdrawal or request to substitute other counsel are not covered by this Form G-01, the attorney may instead file a regularly noticed motion supported by a more detailed memorandum of points and authorities.

SECTION I - WITHDRAWING ATTORNEY

Please complete the following information for the attorney seeking to withdraw (provide the information as it currently appears on the docket; if the attorney appeared pro hac vice, enter "PHV" in the field for "CA Bar Number"):

Name: Lee H. Durst CA Bar Number: 69704

Firm or agency: The Justice Law Center

Address: 637 Albertoni Street, Suite 108, Carson, California 90746

Telephone Number: 949-400-5068 Fax Number: 714-242-2096

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Counsel of record for the following party or parties: Paul Pejman Edalat; Olivia Karpinski; Farah Barghi;

Blue Torch Ventures Inc.; and LIWA N.A., Inc.

Other members of the same firm or agency also seeking to withdraw: Larry Rothman

SECTION II - NEW REPRESENTATION

- ☐ No new counsel is necessary. The party or parties represented by the attorney(s) seeking to withdraw will continue to be represented by another attorney/firm who has already entered an appearance as counsel of record for that party or parties in this case, and who is a member in good standing of the Bar of this Court.
- ☐ The party or parties represented by the attorney(s) seeking to withdraw have not retained new counsel and wish to proceed *pro se*, as self-represented litigants.
- ☒ The party or parties represented by the attorney(s) seeking to withdraw have retained the following new counsel, who is a member in good standing of the Bar of this Court:

Name: Kristopher P. Diulio CA Bar Number: 229399

Firm or agency: Ford & Diulio PC


Address: 695 Town Center Drive, Suite 700, Costa Mesa, California 92626

Telephone Number: 714-384-5540 Fax Number: 844-437-7201

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SECTION III - SIGNATURES**Withdrawing Attorney**

I am currently counsel of record in this case, and am identified above in Section I as the "Withdrawing Attorney." I have given notice as required by Local Rule 83-2.3. I hereby request that I and any other attorney(s) listed in Section I be allowed to withdraw from this case.

Date: 11/03/2016 Signature: 

Name: Lee H. Durst

New Attorney (if applicable)

I have been retained to appear as counsel of record in this case, and my name and contact information are given above in Section II. I am a member in good standing of the Bar of this Court.

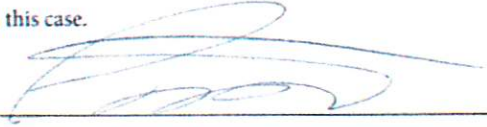
Date: 11/03/2016 Signature: /s/ Kristopher P. Diulio

Name: Kristopher P. Diulio

Party Represented by Withdrawing Attorney

I am currently represented by, or am an authorized representative of a party currently represented by, the Withdrawing Attorney listed above. I consent to the withdrawal of my current counsel, and to (check if applicable):

- ☒ substitution of counsel as specified above.
- ☐ representing myself *pro se* in this case.

Date: 11/03/2016 Signature: 

Name: Paul Pejman Edalat

Title: _____

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on November 3, 2016, I electronically filed the foregoing
**REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF SUBSTITUTION OR WITHDRAWAL OF
COUNSEL – PAUL PEJMAN EDALAT** with the Clerk of the Court using the
CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing via electronic mail to all
counsel of record.

/s/ Kristopher P. Diulio
Kristopher P. Diulio